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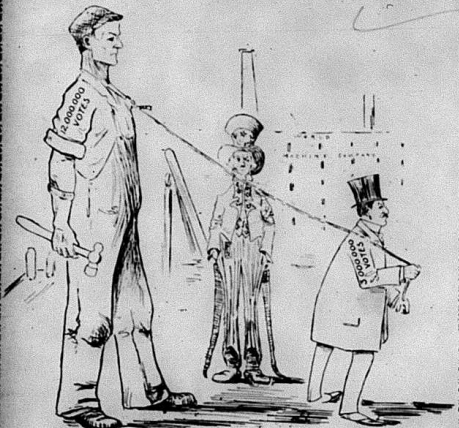
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## Hypnotised! But Waking Up!



UNCLE SAM: Well, I'll be Doggoned! He looks as if he had sense enough! But when he *does* wake up, look out for yourself, Mr. Broadcloth.

Say, Mr. Workingman, hurry up and get your eyes open. There's a lot of misery and trouble in this big country of mine, and I know when you take hold of the Government, every mother's son will have enough and to spare.

I have had enough of Republican and Democrat—all Broadcloth folks. You just go and vote for your own Workingman's Party and we'll all be happy then.

So hurry up and wake up, old man.

Read again our prize offers on page 2. They are the most liberal we have ever made.

You get ten subscribers to THE SOCIALIST you are sure of a prize. You can take your choice of a most attractive list, including fountain pen, watch, pocket knife, purse, a year's subscription to several magazines, etc. Read full list for yourself. That is for every ten yearlies, or equivalent.

In addition to these prizes you are in the race for a Bike or Kodak or opera glasses.

Some have not understood that those who get the ten prizes for 10 subs. are eligible for the Grand Prizes. But that is the case.

You get the smaller prizes anyway, and at the same time remain in the race for the larger prizes to be awarded August 1.

We will keep a record of all subscriptions sent in, if you specify you want them credited to you.

Don't forget to say that you want the names credited to you.

Another point. The members of the staff of THE SOCIALIST have excluded themselves from the race. The editor, for example, had set his heart on winning that bike, but the boys forbid. They are afraid somebody would say, "No fair."

So let the next best win.

Lumber Mill Employes to the Front.

Resolved, That the Puget Sound Mill Employes' Union hereby extend our heartiest sympathy to our brothers of the Machinists' Union in their strike for a nine-hour work day, and pledge them our support to the full extent of our ability.

### How Socialism is Growing.

From the N. Y. Mail and Express.  
The Socialist Party in Europe is increasing steadily as well as rapidly, is the story told by the elections this week to the Danish Folkething. While the Conservative government was almost buried at the polls, winning only eight seats in 114, the Socialist wing strengthened itself on every hand.

No trans-Atlantic political movement of the time shows more vitality than that of Socialism. The vote of this party in Denmark rose from 215 in 1872 to 25,019 in 1895; from 30,000 in France in 1865 to 1,000,000 in 1898; from 334,800 in Belgium in 1894 to 534,000 in 1898; from 90,000 in Italy in 1893 to 134,000 in 1897; from 90,000 in Austria in 1895 to 750,000 in 1897; from 30,000 in Germany in 1867 to 2,125,000 in 1898. The present strength of Socialism throughout Europe is very nearly 5,000,000 votes, and the party is represented in the coalition cabinets of both France and Italy.

Hearst's Policy in His New York Journal, Chicago American and San Francisco Examiner.

You are mistaken in your opinion that we should "let up on the Journal." You say: "We must meet half way those who are already half converted. Our policy must be to attract, not to repel, to encourage, not to discourage, those who are already half Socialists."

The first error here is that the men who direct the policy of the Journal are not "half converted" to Socialism. We have knowledge of inside facts in this matter from which we are able already to understand the policy of that paper. We know, not only how communications to the Journal are suppressed and how news is garbled, colored or manufactured out of whole cloth, but that this is done with a definite object in view. The contradictory editorials of the Journal may give un-informed readers the impression that it is simply floundering in the transition between capitalist and Socialist opinion. We know that there is method in its madness.

The policy of the Journal is to catch the public ear by a blatant radicalism, to attract the socialistically inclined by admirable editorial articles which we now and then publish, to counteract, if possible, the uncompromising Socialist movements by such methods as the false and scurrilous attack on Herron, to misrepresent its principles by Creelman's absurd articles, and to so gain an influence over a mass of dissatisfied, but un-organized and un-organized people—which influence it can deliver to the politicians at election time.

We are not speaking at random when we say this. We are drawing the only possible inference from things known to occur in the editorial offices of the Journal.

We denounce the Journal, not because it is not a Socialist newspaper, but because it tells lies and tells them knowingly and deliberately.

As to those who really are half converted, we always seek to meet them half way in the sense of crediting them with the progress they have made and encouraging them to further progress. We will not, however, seek to attract people by compromising the truth.—The Worker (N. Y.), "Answers to Correspondents."

"Capital is Crime, Wages is Robbery." Ask somebody what that means.

## Monster Labor Parade in Behalf of Striking Machinists



15000 Marchers in Vine Street Cincinnati, Ohio

"Miles of marching workers and countless hosts of cheering and sympathetic spectators evidence the interest in the great strike the machinists are carrying on to secure the nine-hour day," is the way the Cincinnati papers describe the big parade in that city on Saturday, June 1.

Nothing of the kind has been seen in that city for years. As a showing of the labor elements, it outdid anything before attempted.

Immense enthusiasm was everywhere displayed.

Here is a sample transparency: "Capitalists have good will to their mules, but not to their men."

The men were addressed in their hall by Father McGrady, the noted Socialist, who praised the men for their stand, predicted their victory and exhorted them to go on till they abolished the whole wage system and so secure their real emancipation and just rights

## Why Moran Blocks the Way

Everybody agrees the machinists' demand for a nine-hour day is just, and would be granted in Seattle if Moran would consent.

Does anybody imagine the Washington Iron Works and Vulcan Iron Works would not sign in a minute? Why? Because their business of building logging engines is growing beautifully less every day they lose. And Mitchell, Lewis & Staver are selling eastern made logging engines instead.

How's that for helping Seattle enterprises and home industries? And who's to blame? Who is it will not give consent to any agreement with the strikers? Who is it is this driving trade and work out of Seattle?

Everybody answers, *The Morans!*

What's the cat in the meal with them? You bet your life there is a cat. Well, did you know those same Morans have a Battleship Contract? Yes, you know, for you remember Seattle was bluffed into pledging \$100,000 bonus for that same Battleship Contract.

Did you also know the Moran Co. will never complete that contract within the contract time!

Go down on the mud-flats and see how near not-done the shops are for doing the work on that Battleship.

Pile-drivers and builders—not machinists—are in principal demand by Moran Bros. & Co. just now.

Do you see one point? If a man is smart enough when he can't do any work himself, to keep his competitors from doing any work too, then his name is—Moran.

Another point: This strike will make a capital excuse for an extension of time for that Battleship Contract. Of course he couldn't work at his contract, because the men were on strike. That will be a good card to play three years from now—and everybody will forget then that the strike was prolonged only because Moran would not sign nor let the rest sign.

Here are a few points for your pipe:

1. The machinists are certain to win this strike. They are winning it all over the East and they cannot fail here, for their action is international in scope and their places cannot be filled. Therefore the agreement must be signed soon or late.
2. Moran's competitors are suffering by the prolongation of the strike.
3. Seattle is suffering by the prolongation of the strike. Business and workmen are leaving the city daily.
4. But the Moran Company is profiting by the prolongation of the strike.
5. Moran Company is the one obstacle to a settlement of the strike.
6. Why does the Moran Company refuse to allow a settlement? You tell!
7. What ought Seattle to do with this "Star of the Mud Flats"?

WELL, DO IT!

# Capitalistic Paper Answered

WHATCOM REVEILLE'S COMMENTS ON SOCIALISM ABLY HANDLED BY COMRADE LUX

Whatcom Editor More Courageous Than Pyle-Brown or Blethen Seattle Papers Afraid to Tackle Socialism! Next!

COMRADE E. LUX, of Whatcom, Socialist candidate for Mayor at the last election and whose astonishing vote nearly paralyzed the old party men, has been writing for *The Daily Reveille* of that city.

His articles have drawn their fire, and in their turn other correspondents, Socialists and Would-be Socialists have been writing to the *Reveille*. Finally Lux sent the following letter, which the editor conveniently found too long to publish.

We commend this letter of Lux's to the careful perusal of those who think they know a little against Socialism.

Commenting upon my article of May 1st the *Reveille* turns its batteries upon the Socialist philosophy.

I hasten to repair the damage (the points being of general interest and importance), and return the fire. If the *Reveille's* philosophy does not look like Jerusalem after its destruction, it will be no fault of my intentions.

I take my chances of being "gently done brown" at some other time in fair reeplify.

We will first dispose of the dry and disagreeable part for it is at its best an unpleasant subject to speak of master and slave even to a Socialist. But like that something defined as "matter in the wrong place," it has to be tackled to be rid of it.

*Reveille*: "Who or what stands in the attitude of imperial master before any man and compels obedience?"

That same immutable unyielding law that calls us into life and governs our actions—NECESSITY. Precedent, custom, education, aggregated capital, machinery, and a host of other forces tie us to our social fabric—the forces system. The thousands of failures in commercial and professional life testify to the universal eagerness for independence and self-employment.

Unfitness? No. There is only room for so many in any line, and the weaker ones will succumb and sink into wretchedness. There is hardly a more pitiable man than he who, with large ambition, little capital and less comprehension of the forces surrounding him, tries to swing himself upon the coach and expects to be drawn. Statistics show that 97 per cent fail and are hurled back and compelled to pull again.

*Reveille*: "If a man have full choice, his having a master or no master must depend upon himself. No man is compelled for long to labor at the will of another. He who have fair intelligence, will and self-denial he may be his own master."

Many an unsophisticated worker is following this mirage till Nirvana overtakes him. To see whether a doctrine will stand the test of reason we must generalize its application and see what the effect would be.

Supposing we all started out upon the line of action proposed. With will and intelligence we begin to add to our resources. There are but two ways: we must increase our income or reduce our expenses. A raise in wages is resisted with a will (and mostly with success) by our masters, and if we had spare time and spare energy we find all avenues of secure employment already filled.

Accumulate we must, so we take to the last alternative and curtail expenses. So we begin with the barber and do our own shaving, we do away with tobacco, for that is not only wasteful but "filthy and unhealthy as well. Liquor is equally degrading. We buy a ready made suit and dispense with the tailor, we live in a cheaper house, and of course postpone the buying of a piano until we are out of wadegold. Unless we are already there, we defer marrying until we are "fixed," because one month and one body costs less to provide for than two, with chances of more. These you will grant me as reasonable and legitimate entrenchments. Let us row in up the effect upon society and the individual.

The barber, bootblack, tailor, pianomaker, cigarmaker, distiller, the to-

bacco, grain and hop grower, and all who lived by our extravagance are out of the job, and we may safely assume that they will not take to the woods or die without a struggle. They come in and compete with us in raising beans, making jeans and building dug-outs.

But the machine is here and comparatively few can create these things. What will the rest do? What have we accumulated? We have saved ourselves out of work into a lower standard of living, and we have each created for all the condition from which we intended to flee. The unmarried women, equaling in number the unmarried men, come in and compete and still more aggravate the situation. I suppose, reader, you will see that the saving idea does not work any collective good if we all adhered to it.

### LET US UPON THE INDIVIDUAL

Let us see the effect upon the individual. His success begins by robbing himself. His success ends by robbing everybody else, and between the two points lies a soul-shriving period. Books, the time to read them, the drama, music, home, love, children, travel, art, comfort, intellectual intercourse, every higher impulse and attribute is neglected or sacrificed—for what? To become a master, to obtain the power to live upon and exploit those who would not or could not do likewise. Tell me, is that a christian ideal? Is that the desired end of progress and civilization? On this point you will, with the Socialist, say no. I hope I have indicated at least why under capitalism there is naught but perpetual serfdom and uncertainty for the majority of the people. Yes, it is better to do than to be done for, but we are practically stripped of the power to do anything more than make a living. That grates on our sensibilities, but is it not true?

### DOES STRUGGLE BUILD CHARACTER?

The *Reveille* does not stand alone in the belief that a life free from physical struggle for existence would sap the will and enfeeble the body. The whole world is permeated with that fallacy. Learned men (so called) have taught that doctrine from the pulpit, college and press, and yet every act and endeavor of true intelligence contradicts this conception of soothing philosophy. Every invention, every triumph of constructive intelligence over obstacles, is a protest and an injunction against the doctrine that we must sweat in order to eat (and the gentlemen of leisure do not seem to fear either degeneracy nor postmortem consequences from their conduct).

We see that vegetation as well as animals do not arrive at their best until they are wholly taken out of competition. We bring nutrition, we loosen the soil, we hoe the weeds to lessen the struggle for existence of our orchards, gardens and fields, and the growth and development is in exact ratio to the ease with which the plant draws its sustenance. The care we bestow upon our domestic animals begifies equally to our experience that struggle (abuse, neglect, overwork) does not build, but destroys. In fact we know that the rose, the apple, the grain, would soon dwarf were they placed back to compete with the rest of vegetation. The steady oak, the giant fir, do not grow in cyclone swept regions, and there is

nothing to prove that they would not grow just as stately without the battle with the elements, though they may not grow so tough. We do grow all sorts of things—under glass.

The thoughtful steamstress and mechanic oil their machines before they begin the day's work. The most ideally perfect mechanism is the one with least friction. Darwin's "Survival of the Fittest" is persistently misapplied. The fittest is nearly always confounded with the best. A sewer rat will survive in a sewer while a bird would die there. An Eskimo would quickly sicken and die in the tropics, while the native of Congo would hardly stand a winter in Greenland. The poet, the sculptor, the musician, the scientist, the philosopher, would make a poor showing competing with the man of trading instincts and some common arithmetic in business. It all depends upon a man's mental makeup and where you place him whether he is "fit" to survive or not. Take a keen look at the men who have spent a decade or two in mill or mine, working or looking for work, the bleached faces, the dull eye, the stiff and often stooped form do not indicate that strength and beauty of character which "struggle" is supposed to develop. In fact we cannot struggle if we would. Like the bird in the cage, we have found it more sensible to submit than to bump our heads. And we Socialists have added a protest to being caged to the submission, and our struggle has taken the form of a political struggle for economic freedom. Reduce our necessary labor time from 300 days to 100 days in the year and you will soon find that you have Euclid, Platos, Kants, Columbuses, Michael Angelos, Mozarts, Beethovens, Wagners, Shakespeares, Shakespears, Edisons, Aikewrights and Blacktoers, by the million. You will see roads, parks, temples of art and instruction, of music and worship, fests of engineering undreamed of, now, in converting deserts into gardens, swift trains will carry millions from place to place around the globe. There's no end of the improvements that would result in nation, town and home.

No system can diminish the aggregate activity of the race except by warfare, waste or degeneracy. Energy is a genetic product, and it must be expended in some form, and we can only direct it into new channels more useful, ethical and humane. What the Socialists wish is to convert the blind and wasteful forces of social progress into dynamic (conscious intelligence) activity. Surplus energy is the prime source of all progress. Hence the conservation of social energy is most essential to social progress. There is no reason why we cannot transform this planet into one beautiful park, strewn with cozy homes of laughing men and women, full of whim, vigor and cheer. They will have reason, time and power to ring anthems of praise to Creation for so beautiful a world!

### HOW LONG?

When? In one generation this could be done had the Socialists their way from now on. Our plea is not for less activity, but for more diversified, useful, congenial and inspiring activity. We all are capable of some accomplishments besides our chosen vocation, and these accomplishments will brighten the home, make us more useful, agreeable and lovable to those whose fate is linked with ours.

Struggle, poverty, fear, dim the intellect, produce the insane, the drunkard, the reckless, and blight every noble impulse with the belief that human nature is depraved and everything else hostile to it. Had I unlimited space I would give you countless facts from history and biology to substantiate this statement. Give us time and means and freedom and you will soon discover that man is but a little below the angels.

E. LUX.

"I get better wages now and work more days in the week than in hard times. But it's just as hard to make ends meet." That is what a molder said last week.

Reason: Prices and rents go up faster than wages, and hence higher wages never do much good.

### Churches Versus Socialism.

The church as an organized body is hostile towards Socialism because it is a strong competitor, and the church will harbor no rival with a social repair outfit. No wonder they refuse of official recognition.

There are some very clever Christian Socialists, but the great mass of them and their leaders condemn the new and grandly improved brand of righteousness.

It is easier to change the system of weights and measures than the ethical system, moral codes, and customs. Hence the attitude of Socialist leaders and followers toward a decayed and corrupt church. Subject to the snubs and sneers of the holier than thou elite it is but natural that we retadate in the most approved of fashion.

We do not know what Socialism will be a thousand years hence.

We do know this much: that the early Christians suffered great annoyance at the hands of the upper classes even as we suffer. In spite of the most agonizing persecution they carried their message to the poorer classes without purse or price.

Refined, sincere churchmen, clergymen and lady members, what think ye of this? "Eyes have ye, but ye see not" beyond the delight of your own social circle. "Ears have ye, but ye hear not" the groans of the brutally enslaved who create all the blessings you enjoy, but never do you deem them worthy of your thankfulness. "Hearts of gold and sympathy ye have, but ye feel not, for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." As a whole body ye have not yet spoken. Perhaps you await a more convenient season.

Will the old Book stand? Maybe it will, for the pen and truth is mighty and does not come under the head of perishable fruit. Behold the strange spectacle! Christians have forgotten their biblical lore. Certain passages called to mind make their heads weary. Revivals to gain new converts are all out of order. Pretty sentiments about loving indiscriminately sound malapros considering we love the root of all evil more than we do each other.

Infidels, avowed unbelievers, familiar with holy writ, keep the lamp of learning trimmed and burning. The dear old Book is dusted and bolstered up, and what good there is in it for the human race is extracted by the Socialist brethren and handed over to the suffering sheep. Not a mother's son of them receives a salary, but if they were in trusty Manager Schwab's shoes they could not be more diligent.

Christ's last words to his disciples were to feed the sheep, and we are doing it, though not necessarily his disciples.

Perhaps the false disciples are sagely ensconced chugmen and the genuine are Socialists who despise pomp and ceremony while a life is snuffed out at every syllable uttered in the Bay State pulpits.

Knowing these things, how can any laboring man or Socialist attend with patience to the divine services of the present day? Even on a class conscious point of view not a word is to be heard indicating a desire to improve upon the conditions which induce poverty among the masses. Not caring to waste valuable time among a hostile class of people we prefer to seek for kindred spirits.

WALTER S. ALLEN, Palmer, Mass.

The following is the list of nominations made at the June meeting of Local Seattle for local officers to be voted on at the next meeting, the first Friday evening in July. Terms, six months.

For Organizer—Comrades Seibert, Gilbert, Holtkamp, Cambron.

For Recording Secretary—Comrades Lindwall, Holtkamp, Cameron.

For Financial Secretary—Comrades Latimer, Downey, Baumann.

For Treasurer—Comrades Emme, Hultin, Holtkamp, Titus, Peters.

For Librarian—Comrades Latimer, Peters, Shields, Peterson, Downey, Mrs. Gilbert.

For Trustees (three to be chosen)—Comrades Davis, Downey, Cameron, Gilbert, Shields, Latimer, Titus, Schwert, Randolph, Classe, Seibert.

### PRIZES FOR EVERYBODY!

To the one getting the greatest number of subscribers between now and August 1st a 1901 Hartford Bicycle. To one securing next largest number of names the choice of Kodak Camera or pair of Opera Glasses. To third largest number Marx's Complete Works or Parlor Lamp.

### TO EVERYBODY

Getting ten yearly subscribers, or their equivalent, choice of the following prizes:

Foundation Pen, Watch, Pocket Knife, Fruit Knife, Ladies' Shlure Mounted Purse or a year's subscription to one of the following magazines: McClure's, Munsey's, Cosmopolitan or International Socialist Review.

We have already received names of a number of contestants. Somebody will surely get the Bicycle. Why not you?

EVERYBODY sending in \$5 worth of names will receive a prize, and the amount will also be credited to personal name toward getting the big prize. You need not wait till you get all the names. We will send you a receipt for every name received by us.

SEND FOR BUNDLE OF SAMPLES—Show your friends the paper. Tell them you want a Bicycle, or Kodak, or Opera Glasses, and you'll succeed. The people who don't succeed are those who don't try—and almost everybody who tries succeeds—remember that.

### STATE CONVENTION.

In accordance with the action taken by the State Committee June 2, 1901, State Convention of the Social Democratic Party is called to meet at Seattle, Wash., June 30, 10 a. m., at 250 Union Street.

Although more in the nature of a conference than a formal State Convention, yet there are several very important questions for consideration, viz.:

First—The election of a State Committee to serve for the ensuing year.

Second—To adopt some form of Constitution for the S. D. P. of the State.

Third—To provide for representation at the National Union Convention to be held at Indianapolis July 29, 1902, and to discuss questions which may be liable to come up at that convention.

Fourth—To discuss ways and means by which the cause of Socialism may be advanced and the party be put to the best condition for effective work.

This call is extended to all Local and Branches of the S. D. P. of the State of Washington.

Each member of the party is entitled to attend and have one vote, and many additional votes as the number of persons for whom he holds proxies.

Blank certificates and proxy statements will be sent to all Locals in the near future.

J. D. CURTIS,

State Sec. S. D. P. Wash.

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SPRINGFIELD, MASS., June 4, 1901.

THE SOCIALIST, Seattle, Wash.

DEAR COMRADES: I desire to inform you that the N. E. C. has placed THE SOCIALIST on the list of official organs, and that hereafter subscriptions will be received for same, as they are received for other papers.

Wishing you continued success in your work for the cause, I remain  
Yours fraternally,

WM. BUTCHER, Nat'l Sec'y.

The Workers' Call, of Chicago, has followed the lead of THE SOCIALIST, and become "An Illustrated Weekly." It is furnishing capital cartoons on its first page each week.

Shake, Brother Call! It is of more consequence to print one Socialist picture and have it understood than to print ten pages of the best Socialist argument and have nobody even read it.

"Hate is catching."—Fra Eilbertus.

Comrade "Harry" Ault, of Equality, has got out his first number of Industrial Freedom, the colony paper, and it does him credit.

There's more good Socialism in this number than we ever saw in any other number of I. F.

Local Seattle, at its last monthly meeting, took wise action concerning the Unity Convention to be held at Indianapolis July 29. A motion was

passed urging the State Committee to raise funds to send at least one delegate from the State of Washington to the Convention, and naming Comrade A. G. Seibert, of Seattle, as the choice of Local Seattle for that position.

We believe nominations should be made by Locals throughout the State, and the State Convention on June 30 can take such action as seems best. It is not probable that more than one delegate will go from this State, at least at the State's expense.

If any expect to go at their own expense, we shall be glad to publish their names.

Local Seattle mourns the sudden death of one of its youngest members, Comrade Mary Stallenman. It seems hardly possible to see her bright face and smile no more among us. For her father and brother, both Comrades of the same Local, we all feel the keenest sympathy in their great loss.

The Union Record is to be congratulated on its last issue or two. Moulton is doing well.

We want to express our gratitude to some unknown friend in Ohio for his suggestive batch of papers sent weekly to the Exchange Editor of THE SOCIALIST.

# ONLY HE WAS A SOCIALIST

A STORY IN TWO PARTS—PART II

From the Social Democrat, London.

Of course, their dispute with the wharf hands was nothing to do with us; we were getting our wages all right, but we made up our minds we wouldn't work with blacklegs. When we was asked if we would knock off by busting 'em about and talked about charging 'em with intimidation, but it would have required some intimidation to have kept us in, I reckon; it didn't need any to fetch us out. We hadn't yet got over the strike fever, and we were much more ready to strike than to knuckle down to anything. It always amuses me when I hear about men being led by the nose and persuaded to strike by agitators. In most cases the agitators find it all their work to do to prevent a strike, and then when a strike does take place they have to take all the blame of it, and have enough to do to encourage the men so as to prevent 'em going back on themselves.

But we was a bit doubtful about Bill Stevens coming out, for he had been carrying on a good bit about the uselessness of strikes.

"When you were out," said he, "you didn't do anything worth striking for. You got another penny per hour, and that's all you did get, and some have already had that knocked off in one way or another. I don't see that strikes are any good at all. You generally play into the employers' hands, and they come off best in the end. It seems to me that we get the worst of it in the long run anyhow."

He was so disgusted with the compromise of the great strike, as he called it, that, as I say, we thought it was doubtful if he'd take part in a strike again. I got at him about it. "Suppose they wanted to cut our wages down again," I asked, "wouldn't you strike?"

"Of course I should," he answered, "if the rest were willing. But there's not much fear of a strike on that racket unless the employers want one. When they want to stop they'll take steps to get it fast enough. They have got us under their thumb anyhow. If we accept a reduction without a strike that's to their gain, and if we go out on strike that's their gain too, very often."

Some of the fellows got on at him and said that he was nothing better than a blackleg himself. "Fact is," they said, "you reckon you've got a decent job now, and don't care a curse for anybody else."

But Bill went on, never minding,

only telling them that they were a parcel of fools not to have settled the job when they were out. So, as I say, we were rather dubious about getting him to turn out again.

However, when we turned out against the blacklegs on the wharf, there was no hanging back on the part of Bill Stevens. He came out like a man with the rest.

It was a bad job, though, that strike. Trade was slack, there was any number of men out of work, and blacklegs were as plentiful as weevils in ship's biscuit. We had left a boat half stowed, but they had got three gangs working aboard her the second day after we came out. They was a pretty rough lot, too, but they managed to get the cargo into her somehow.

What upset us most of all, however, was that they had got one of our own chaps, Jim Scanlan, in charge of one of the gangs. How the fellows did curse him, to be sure! Two or three of them would stand at the stairs by the side of the wharf and call him all the names they could lay their tongues to, as he stood at the gangway, until the police shifted them. They were a rough set, I tell you, and it would have gone hard with Punch, in spite of his reputation as a fighting man, if any of them had got hold of him. But they say the devil generally looks after his own, and it always seems so, for these fellows generally manage to keep out of harm's way.

Well, the strike lasted for weeks, and we had a precious rough time. The Union money don't go far when you have got nothing but that, and some of us fared rather badly. It was only a petty little strike, one of a number which broke out about then. There was no public sympathy; people had about got sick of strikes, so we got no help from outside. Work was going on at the wharf, too, all the time, and the boats were going and coming much as usual. The men they had got in were not first rate, but I suppose they struggled through the work somehow. There was scarcely a day but what an accident of some kind happened. We always got to hear of it one way or another, and I know we used to chuckle over each mishap. Whenever anybody got hurt we were all eager to know who it was. I believe we should have danced for joy to have known it was Jim Scanlan. But no fear! No harm came to him.

At last we gave in. We saw it was no good holding out any longer, so we just swallowed our pride and made terms to get back. They would have nothing to say to us at first, and we

had to eat a tidy bit of humble pie before we could get back to work. The worst of it was that although they were glad to get rid of the bulk of the roughs they had got in, they would not promise to get rid of them all, and we had to undertake to work with them on friendly terms. That was a bitter pill; but we had to swallow it. We couldn't help looking upon these men as our deadly enemies, who had grabbed the bread out of our mouths, and it went sorely against the grain to have to work with them. But it had to be done, and we had to make the best of it.

There was one man we all had a special grudge against—that was Jim Scanlan. I think we all made up our minds to pay him out the first chance we got, but of course we could say nothing about it. He, you may be sure, was very cocky, and didn't he just chip us when we got back to work! "Like a lot of whipped puppies," he said.

It was about a week after we had started, and things was settling down a bit. Most of the black legs had been cleared out, simply because it didn't pay to keep them on. I was working down in the main hold, and Punch Scanlan and Bill Stevens were both in the gang. We were getting out a cargo of iron rails, and had got pretty low down. Scanlan and Stevens were working just under the hatch, and had just sent up a sett. Scanlan turned round to speak to one of the others, and stepped back plumb under the hatchway. Just as he did so I heard Stevens, who had been following the sett with his eye, cry out, and saw him spring forward and give Punch a shove in the back which sent him flying across the hold. At the same instant there was a terrific crash, as the rails just slung came thundering down, crushing poor Stevens beneath them as they fell. We got the rails off of him as quickly as we could, and got him out; but he was done for. The sight of him made me sick. He had given his life for the man who had always been his enemy and who had sold the whole lot of us. Only that push he gave Scanlan, and which cost him his life, saved Punch from being killed.

I don't think any of us thought any better of Scanlan for it—indeed, I believe we all wished Bill had not pushed him out of the way; but poor Bill—well, we all said he was a good sort, and so he was, even if he was a Socialist.

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COMRADES: The N. E. C. having affirmed the date of July 29 as the date for the opening of the Unity Convention, I hereby advise all Comrades to that effect. Credentials are in the hands of the printer and will be mailed to all Locals and State Committees in a few days, with instructions as to the election of delegates. All Comrades who have been members of our party prior to June 30th are entitled to representation, providing they are in good standing. Therefore, in order that all Comrades may be represented at the coming convention, they are reminded to pay up all their dues promptly.

Locals are also reminded that an assessment was levied equal to ten cents per member, and all those Locals or subdivisions which have as yet failed to pay same, are requested to do so at once, as the N. E. C. would like to report to the convention that all obligations of the party have been paid. Those State Committees which have not yet settled their International Delegate Stamp account are urged to attend to same without delay. Let our party be fully represented at the convention, so that it can be said it was the largest Socialist gathering at a National Convention ever held in the United States.

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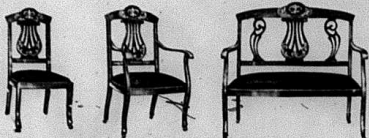
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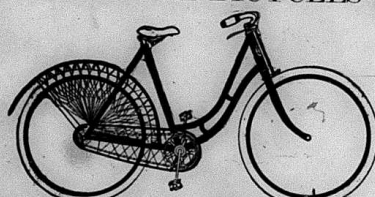
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